

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

The specification has been amended as follows:

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The paragraph at lines 11-13 has been amended as follows:

The organic compound as fuel of the component (c) is ~~one or~~ at least one ~~two~~ selected from tetrazole compounds, guanidine compounds, triazine compounds and nitroamine compounds.

The paragraph at lines 19-21 has been amended as follows:

The oxygen-containing oxidizing agent as component (d) is ~~one or~~ at least one ~~two~~ selected from nitrate, perchlorate, chloric acid, a basic metal nitrate and ammonium nitrate.

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The paragraph at lines 13-27 has been amended as follows:

The binder as component (e) is ~~one or~~ at least one ~~two~~ selected from carboxymethyl cellulose (CMC), sodium carboxymethylcellulose (CMCNa), potassium carboxymethylcellulose, carboxymethylcellulose ammonium, cellulose acetate, cellulose acetate butyrate (CAB), methyl cellulose (MC), ethyl cellulose (EC), hydroxyethyl cellulose (HEC), ethylhydroxyethyl cellulose (EHEC), hydroxypropyl cellulose (HPC), carboxymethylethyl cellulose (CMEC), fine crystalline cellulose, polyacrylamide, an aminated product of polyacrylamide, polyacryl hydrazide, a copolymer of acrylamide and

a metal acrylate, a copolymer of polyacrylamide and a polyacrylic ester, polyvinyl alcohol, acrylic rubber, guar gum, starch and silicone. Among these, sodium carboxymethylcellulose (CMCNa) and guar gum are preferable in view of stickiness, cost and ignitability of the binder.

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The paragraph beginning on page 10, line 14 and ending on page 11, line 2 has been amended as follows:

The additive as component (f) is ~~one or~~ at least one ~~two~~ selected from metal oxides such as copper oxide, iron oxide, zinc oxide, cobalt oxide, manganese oxide, molybdenum oxide, nickel oxide, bismuth oxide, gallium oxide, silica and alumina, metal carbonates or basic metal carbonates such as cobalt carbonate, calcium carbonate, magnesium carbonate, a basic zinc carbonate and a basic copper carbonate, composite compounds of metal oxides or hydroxides such as Japanese acid clay, kaolin, talc, bentonite, diatomaceous earth and hydrotalcite, metal acid salts such as sodium silicate, mica molybdate, cobalt molybdate and ammonium molybdate, molybdenum disulfide, calcium stearate, silicon nitride and silicon carbide. These additives can reduce the burning temperature of the gas generating agent, regulate the burning rate and reduce the amount of toxic nitrogen oxides and carbon monoxide formed after combustion.